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(*b*) whether requests have been made to the Hon. the Chief Minister to permit a deputation to wait on him and what reply was sent to them?

A.—(*a*) Thirty-one; but they were mostly copies of the same petition but signed by different individuals.

(*b*) Yes. No reply was considered necessary as the final order constituting the municipality was issued on 8th October 1935.

Reasons for constituting Udipi into a municipality.

* 602 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of rural towns with a population larger than that of Udipi in this Province; and

(*b*) the reasons for constituting a municipality for Udipi against the wishes of the people at this time of depression, while towns with larger population have not yet got a municipality?

A.—(*a*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to Table IV of the Census of India, 1931, Volume XIV—Madras—Part II—Imperial and Provincial Tables.

(*b*) The constitution of Udipi into a municipality was considered necessary in the interests of public health as it is an important pilgrim centre.

Khan Bahadur Mahmud Schamnad Sahib Bahadur:—" May I know, Sir, whether it was on the recommendation of the Collector of the district that Udipi was constituted into a municipality? "

The Hon. the Raja of Bobbili:—" It may be on his recommendation also."

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—" Is it not a fact that there are too many hotels in Udipi and that there should be better sanitation in the place? "

Basis for fixing the motor car allowances of Municipal Commissioners.

* 603 *Q.*—Mr. M. S. Sreshta: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the salary and motor car allowance of each Commissioner of municipality; and

(*b*) the basis on which the motor car allowance is calculated?

A.—(*a*) A statement [a] showing the particulars referred to, as on the 3rd January 1936, is appended.

(*b*) The rates of conveyance allowance payable to commissioners have been generally fixed on the basis of the rank of the officers.

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